

## **Missouri School Improvement Standards on Health Education**

### *Resource Standards*

#### **Elementary School**

Each elementary student will receive regular instruction in reading, language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, comprehensive health (including tobacco, alcohol and other drug prevention and HIV/AIDS prevention education), and career awareness education. Instruction in each of the core areas will reflect the Show-Me Standards.

#### **Junior High/Middle School**

Physical education is scheduled and taught to all students for a minimum of 3,000 minutes each year and health (including tobacco, alcohol and other drug abuse prevention education, and HIV/AIDS prevention education) and safety education is scheduled and taught to all students for a minimum of 1,500 minutes each year.

#### **High School**

Each high school has a current minimum offering of at least 40.5 units of credit, with sufficient sections in each course to meet the needs of all students in grades 9-12 and the state high school graduation requirements. These courses are distributed as follows:

	MINIMUM STANDARD	DESIRABLE STANDARD
Health	0.5	1.0

(Includes tobacco, alcohol and other drug prevention and HIV/AIDS prevention education)

Source: Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. *Missouri School Improvement Program Integrated Standards and Indicators Manual: Accreditation Standards for Public School Districts in Missouri*, 2001: 5,6,8.